

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Art Unit: 1724

Examiner: Cintins, Ivars C.

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FILTER SCREEN NOZZLE AND

SYSTEM FOR FLUID PROCESSING

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

For:

In response to the Office Action dated September 4, 2002, please amend the above-entitled application as follows:

## **AMENDMENTS**

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 12, 14-16, 20, 21, and 23, without prejudice.

Rewrite claims 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13 and 17.

- 3. (Amended) The demineralization fluid treatment system of claim 24, wherein the orientation of the at least one orifice is such that a flow of fluid from the orifice into the cavity is directed toward a bottom portion of the screen.
- 6. (Amended) The demineralization fluid treatment system of claim 24, wherein the screen is generally cylindrical, the nozzle further comprising an end cap mounted to a bottom of the screen.
- 7. (Amended) The demineralization fluid treatment system of claim 24, wherein the screen is generally cylindrical the nozzle further comprising an end cap

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